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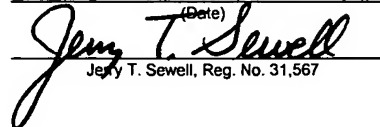
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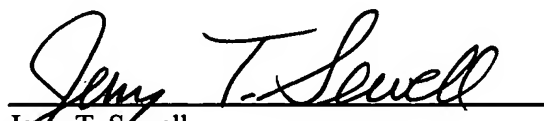
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby submits for filing in the above-identified application:

- (X) *An Establishment of Right to Assignee to Take Action and Revocation and Power of Attorney* in one (1) page.
- (X) A copy of an Assignment in two (2) pages
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ESTABLISHMENT OF RIGHT OF ASSIGNEE TO TAKE ACTION
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Dear Sir:

The undersigned is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee below (the "Assignee"). A true copy of the original Assignment of the above-captioned application from the inventors to the Assignee is attached hereto. This Assignment represents the entire chain of title of this invention from the Inventors to the Assignee.

I declare that all statements made herein are true, and that all statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, or any patent issuing thereon.

The undersigned hereby revokes any previous powers of attorney in the subject application, and hereby appoints the registrants of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, 2040 Main Street, Fourteenth Floor, Irvine, California 92614, Telephone (949) 760-0404, **Customer No. 20,995**, as its attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith. This appointment is to be to the exclusion of the inventor(s) and his attorney(s) in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.71.

Please use **Customer No. 20,995** for all communications.

Specialty Hardware L.P.

Dated: 8/27/04

By: 

A. Carleton Elliott
117½ 54th Street
Newport Beach, California 92663-2225

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, **A. Carleton Elliott**, a United States citizen, residing at 117½ 54th Street, Newport Beach, California 92663-2225, **Allan J. Swartz**, a United States citizen, residing at 610 Rockinghorse Road, Gardnerville, Nevada 89410 and **Gregory Kulpa**, a United States citizen, residing at 18092 Bigelow Park, Tustin, California 92780, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a **COMPRESSION POST FOR STRUCTURAL SHEAR WALL**, for which we have filed United States Patent Application No. 10/773,757 on February 6, 2004;

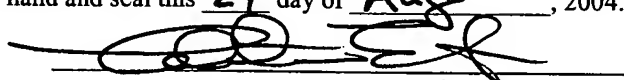
AND WHEREAS, **Specialty Hardware L.P.** (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a California Limited Partnership, with its principal place of business at 117½ 54th Street, Newport Beach, California 92663, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said inventors, do hereby acknowledge that we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all provisional applications relating thereto, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE DO HEREBY sell, assign, transfer, and convey to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns all claims for damages and all remedies arising out of any violation of the rights assigned hereby that may have accrued prior to the date of assignment to ASSIGNEE, or may accrue hereafter, including, but not limited to, the right to sue for, collect, and retain damages for past infringements of the said Letters Patent before or after issuance.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 27 day of Aug, 2004.

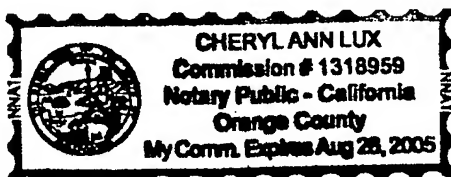

A. Carleton Elliott

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF ORANGE } ss.

On Aug. 27 2004, before me, Cheryl Ann Lux, personally appeared **A. Carleton Elliott**, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in he authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

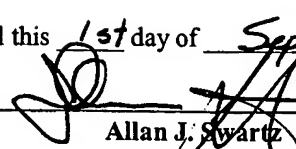
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Cheryl Ann Lux
Notary Signature

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 1st day of September, 2004.

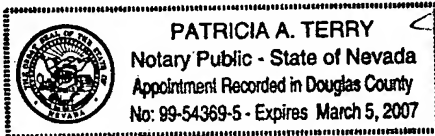

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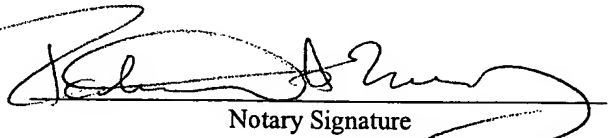
STATE OF NEVADA }
COUNTY OF Douglas } ss.

On 9/1/04, before me, Patricia A. Terry, personally appeared Allan J. Swartz, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in he authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

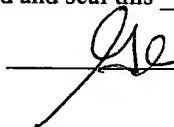
WITNESS my hand and official seal.

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Notary Signature

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 31st day of AUGUST, 2004.


Gregory Kulpa

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF ORANGE } ss.

On 8/31/04, before me, Kristin Masters, notary public, personally appeared Gregory Kulpa, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in he authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

[SEAL]


Notary Signature

